

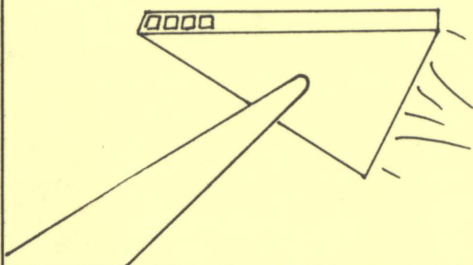
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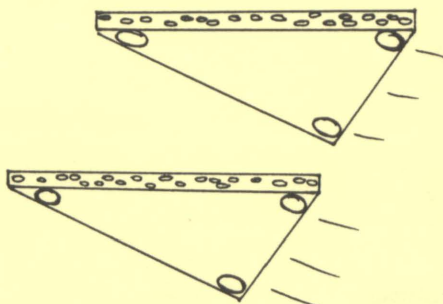
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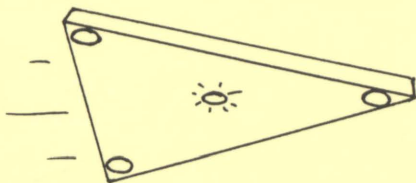
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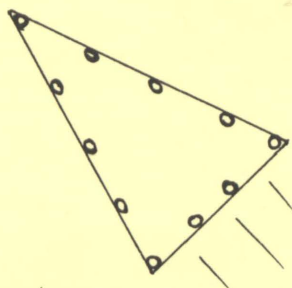
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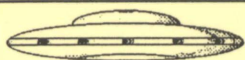


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EDITORIAL

A year after a Boeing 737 jet approaching Manchester Airport was buzzed by a brightly lit, triangular UFO, the investigating authority can find no rational explanation - so we have the strongest backing yet for the existence of such objects, which are being reported at regular intervals from all over Britain. The possibility of a rogue aircraft infringing on restricted airspace is extremely unlikely, as our aviation expert, Ray Hunt, explains inside. Could it have been a funny reflection off the Pennine Hills? Surely experienced pilots would know all the natural effects they could possibly encounter on the well used flight path into Manchester Airport.

The Ministry of Defence continue their apathetic ways. After every indication that was possible to make through the media and personal pleas, they have at last recognised that "Gulf War Syndrome" may exist. The disturbing health problems of veterans and their children born since the war ended have been apparent for at least 2 years, but only when embarrassed by the USA effort have the MOD (or maybe its the government behind them) reluctantly started their own investigation. Several British sufferers have found their case histories on the USA database and part of a comprehensive survey long before the British investigation got under way. Trying the usual "cover-up" has failed to succeed because the most powerful nation on Earth did not try to hide the damning evidence.

When it comes to UFOs - we are now back to the MOD blanket reply - no investigation if British Airspace is not threatened. It seems likely that the Martians would be in Downing St before the MOD took action judging from their approach to "Gulf War Syndrome"!

The restructuring of Contact International is now under way following the Extraordinary General Meeting on January 10th 1996. We are now embarking on a more planned schedule to sort out some of the problems that have arisen through increasing membership; the data base and the investigation side. It is regretted that only Data Research members attended the EGM, but most of the projected posts were filled at the meeting. Please find a report of the EGM following this editorial. Would you note all correspondence should be sent to our new Box number with immediate effect.

With an increased sized Council, Contact International intends to hold an annual conference again, which was the normal course of events up to the mid-1980s. The 1996 conference will be on September 29th at the Exeter Hall, Kidlington, which is on the main Oxford - Banbury road and close to motor way links. We have decided to hold it on a Sunday rather than a Saturday, so that journeys will be easier. Our usual policy has not been to charge admission; however Corinthian attitudes cannot prevail in the 1990s when good quality halls cost upwards of £200 to hire for one day, so we have tickets available at £5 each - well below the rates for most UFO conferences. Please see the details on the back cover and send for your tickets immediately. This edition of Awareness is the first notification of the conference to give members priority booking. I hear that virtually all UFO gatherings in the last year have been fully subscribed giving some indication of the increase in popularity of the UFO subject.

There are now two brightly coloured UFO magazines on the shelves of W.H. Smith, plus of course the ever popular Fortean Times. Knowing the "stiff upper lip" approach of our favourite High St newsagent, it must be a sure indication that UFOs are at last respectable, and hopefully "Little Green Men" will disappear from the repertoire of radio and TV interviewers!

THE EDITOR.

CONTACT INTERNATIONAL UK - MINUTES OF EGM HELD AT ASIAN CULTURAL CENTRE, MANZIL WAY, OXFORD, 10/1/96

The meeting was started promptly at 7.30pm by the vice-president, Geoff Ambler. He was elected as Chairperson for the meeting as required by the Constitution.

Apologies were read out from Ruth Rees who was former President; Mr Bernard Delair current President who sent a typed message which was read out in part and passed for all to read; and Mr Ian Smith.

The Financial Statement was then produced showing a current balance of £1073.41. There was an adjustment for the magazine which had been produced before Christmas and that left a balance for the start of the new year of £712.51. There were no comments on the statement, but Mr Bill Foley congratulated the treasurer on a "splendid job" and this was echoed by the members.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

The President, Mr Delair, re-iterated his wishes that he should remain titular only and he was duly re-elected with no objections from the floor.

The vice-president, Mr Geoff Ambler, nominated by Ray Hunt and seconded by Mr Brian James was duly re-elected.

The Chairperson (role redefined), Mr Brian James, was nominated by Ray Hunt and seconded by Ms Linda Dellow and was duly elected. Mr Tony Broad nominated Mr Ray Hunt for this position, but Ray was unable to accept the nomination.

The Vice-Chairperson (role introduced), Mr Ray Hunt, was nominated by Mr Bill Foley and seconded by Mr Brian James and was duly elected.

Secretary, Mrs Frances Copeland, was nominated by Mr Geoff Ambler and seconded by Mr Bill Foley and duly re-elected. It was agreed that the secretary would call on the services of Ms Louise Copeland and Ms Linda Dellow in delegation of tasks.

Treasurer, Mr Geoff Ambler, was nominated by Mrs Frances Copeland, and seconded by Mr Brian James and duly re-elected.

These six positions were regarded as the key committee and a discussion then took place on clarification of the speciality positions which were next on the agenda. These consisted of the following:

Editor Awareness: **Geoff Ambler.**

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Overseas Liaison Officer: **Maralee Gibson.** (USA)

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Librarian: **Deferred.**

Newspaper Clipping Custodian: **Bill Foley.**

Conference Co-ordinator: **Deferred.**

London Representative: **Ruth Rees.**

All roles were outlined and discussed with the agreed titles to be worded into the "Council Officers Handbook". This will be set up by Mr. Brian James and other contributors so that future meetings can be classified and clearly defined and rule out any misunderstandings on the role of each committee member.

The draft amended Contact International Constitution was then read through with a few agreed changes. This will then form the basis of the new Constitution which will be adhered to for the future.

Under the heading of Any other Business and Proposals, Geoff Ambler read out the advantages of having a PO Box No. and it was generally agreed that this could be a practicable proposition for the future as Contact would have a permanent address to which memberships and all enquiries would be funnelled, but still leaving the telephone enquiries as existing.

The nomination of Honorary Life Member has gone to Mr. Derek Mansell who ran Contact for many years from his home and devoted a lot of time and energy into promoting the group and its aims. This was agreed by all.

The conference to be held in 1996 is still under debate and this has been deferred until the next meeting for a fuller discussion.

The meeting ended promptly at 10p.m.

Frances Copeland (Secretary)

NEWS IN BRIEF

AIRSHIP TROUBLE : The usual mis-identifications of illuminated airships have been reaching us. For 1996 the most widely spotted craft is sporting "PHILIPS" in white on pale blue across the fuselage. Thanks to Jim Rayner (Notts) for sending photos of this beast. The craft was on duty at Cheltenham races in mid March taking TV pictures over the course. When it moved there was an unmistakable throbbing sound.

On the night of January 10th, the editor saw an illuminated airship over Basingstoke. It had a pale blue eerie glow with white lights at each extremity. There was a very distinctive batch of red strobes underneath the belly. It was not possible to read any lettering on the side in the dark. Several UFO reports came through from the area.

COVER CHANGES : Our regular cover designer, Mark Maynereid, is relinquishing the task. Brian James has designed the covers for this Awareness. The final solution to "UFO-dial" is "UFONAUTS". We are advertising the conference on the back cover this edition, but if you have any mind stimulating puzzles involving UFOlogy send them in for consideration next time.

CROP CIRCLES IN CZECH REPUBLIC : We have obtained news agency reports of several events in Bohemia last July/August. At LIBEREC, 2 circles 10-15 metres across were seen from a helicopter on July 11th; at PLZEN on July 19th, 3 circles of varying size were located at some distance from each other. One circle had a raised centre; a further circle at KLATORY on July 21st; and an 18.5m diameter circle at PODHATI on August 10th.

WHY SO MANY LOST AIRCRAFT? : The RAF lost 9 aircraft through a catalogue of disasters in the first 2 months of 1996. The blame appears to be pilot error allied to bad weather, but there is great unease about the morale in the Services following layer after layer of defence cuts. Are maintenance standards

being kept up? Could there be a sinister unknown cause connected to UFOs? If anyone has any ideas please write in.

DAVID MEDINA : Margaret Fry has informed us that the well known author and Ufologist, David Medina, died on January 28th 1996 as the result of a stroke incurred two months previously. He was 63.

"David wrote that well researched book 'Elohim's Nursery' and previous to that 'God's Weapon', a booklet he published himself. Sadly his life had been picking up after a spell of bad luck and unemployment. he married two years ago, happily, and had a private practice in alternative medical treatment."

NIGHT PHOTOGRAPHY : In view of the biting cold weather, our intrepid photographers have not been very active. A series of films taken in the only mild spell in January 1996 using 3 cameras in rotation including one without flash produced no anomalies except that various spots on the negatives appeared to dowe. This may indicate that there was an interaction with "whatever it is", but it refuses to co-operate when too scientific an approach is attempted. The latest films also show no signs of the small globes which appeared frequently in 1995.

CONTACT INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS : The main conference is on September 29th 1996, but an open meeting, admission £1, is held bi-monthly at the Inner Book Shop, 111 Magdalen Rd, (between Iffley and Cowley Rds) Oxford from 8pm. The latest sightings and details of our research are given at these meetings. Next date APRIL 30th, TUESDAY. Data research meet weekly at other locations to discuss more specific matters. Send for a copy of the schedule if there is any particular subject you wish to raise.

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CONTACT INTERNATIONAL - UFO QUESTIONNAIRE 1995

THE ANALYSIS BY EDITOR

First, thanks to all members who replied - there was a very good response compared to previous questionnaires over the years and we now have a file full of valuable data. It was noted that about 15% of respondents typed out their own answers and obviously took a great deal of care in preparing them. Some of the more interesting comments are appended.

In scoring the individual questions - one point was awarded overall per person, per question. Some replies showed 2 or more options, in which case a fraction was applied to each part. Thus if a question with 4 possible answers was ticked on each, ¼ point would be allotted to each of these. If an answer showed "mostly" one choice and "a few" second choice - the split would ¾ to ¼ at editor's discretion.

The aim of this basic questionnaire was to pick up the views of the many recent members joining Contact Int. and to keep it to one page to encourage replies. Long standing members may have found it too elementary, but a compromise between brevity and "boring the pants off" was thought appropriate.

1. HAVE YOU SEEN A UFO?

Of 32 responses to this question 56% claimed they had seen a UFO, although not all were absolutely certain of their experience. It should be emphasised that observation at this level tends to be rather subjective. Details of member's experiences are set out at the end of the analysis if they have not previously been reported in Awareness.

2. DO YOU THINK UFOS ARE:-

- | | |
|---|-------|
| (a) EXTRATERRESTRIAL CRAFT (SOLID NUTS AND BOLTS) | 66.8% |
| (b) ENERGY FORMS. | 9.4% |
| (c) TIMEWARPS - SEEING THE FUTURE. | 7.9% |
| (d) OTHER. | 15.8% |

The origin and nature of UFOs is of course one of the great imponderables, although clearly most of you consider they are solid flying craft - exactly 2 out of 3. Some of the other possibilities you mentioned are set out below. - Ed.

(c) I feel that another dimension could well exist, and that a highly advanced society could break from its invisible bounds and into ours. Why would these bounds exist? I feel that the universe as a whole exists for a real reason, and all that exists within it is part and parcel of that reason. In other words, once a living, intelligent race has reached a certain point, it will be able to understand this reason and utilise the existing fruits already there for the taking. The Human Race has in the last century alone broken many of the earthly bounds which once puzzled it. That was only step one. The next step is space, not just the Moon, but much further. Our very own Solar System is there for Man to conquer, understand and use! Many thousands of years from now (if we still exist) we too will be able to cross the boundaries. We will then become the Extraterrestrials to another confused planet!

As for seeing the future - only by breaking the boundaries, will we ever know.

DAVE SURMAN, AMESBURY, WILTS

(a) I think most of the post-war sightings were nuts and bolts. Possibly reports of these sightings made people more alert to UFOs in general, including energy form phenomena.

(d) I understand that a UFO flap was deliberately fomented in the locality where Barnes Wallis conducted his early experiments with swing-wing aircraft, so that witnesses would be misled and sightings could be debunked. Genuine military hardware is involved in some modern cases. In addition there has been a lot of purely bogus input from military sources. The Avrocar disaster, the suspension bomb fraud, and those wretched Nazi discs are examples.

BRIAN BURDEN, BRAINTREE, ESSEX.

(a) I feel that some craft that come here are made from the same kind of materials we use here on Earth today, but I think they must be ahead of our technology by about 500 years. Maybe one day we will arrive there, if the Human Race can survive for another 500 years.

(d) As the universe is so vast, I feel it is highly possible that there are advanced beings maybe millions of years ahead of our technology who do not need a SOLID form to transverse space or time, as we understand it.

M. ORME, TINTAGEL, CORNWALL.

(a,b,c,d) They are all of these things. Our educational system predisposes us to think in straight lines; "It is" or "It is not", instead of thinking in lateral widths. Teachers and lecturers only pass on what they themselves possess in terms of beliefs and knowledge.

N.L. SHEFFIELD

(a) I believe UFOs are real solid objects controlled by intelligent life. Some UFOs are scout craft or probes, either remotely controlled or piloted by mechanical entities.

CHRIS TEBBLE, NORWICH.

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(d) Whitley Streiber's comment that "They are what the force of evolution looks like to a conscious mind", I find most intriguing. *DAVID ALDRIDGE, BENSON, OXON.*

3. **ARE ALIEN BEINGS PRESENT ON THIS PLANET?**

- | | |
|--------------------|-------|
| (a) NO | 14.8% |
| (b) YES ONE TYPE | 14.8% |
| (c) YES MANY TYPES | 70.4% |

A fairly convincing "Yes" to multi-alien types being present. Perhaps the most testing remark however was one of caution: "How can we possibly tell?" Most testimony relies on pure anecdotal evidence, and the strong belief that "Roswell" was a reality with alien bodies removed from the site. Apart from this, there is honestly very little to go on, and the various ideas that they look "just like us", only adds to the confusion. - Ed.

(b) Looking like us, but far in advance spiritually and technically, influencing sciences and outcome of wars on Earth, societies too.

PIERRE HERVIEUX, SAINTE ADRESSE, FRANCE.

(c) Some I feel come here to help us, but they can only meet us halfway as we are still a malevolent planet. *M. ORME*

(a) Not ET. Possibly some psychic entities masquerading as ET.

S. SALAMAN, LITTLEPORT, CAMBS.

(b,c) Yes, I would say so - maybe some have underground bases in the seas, Himalayas, Andes, Mongolia or other remote places.

MARGARET FRY, LLANGERNYW, N. WALES.

(c) Over the last hundreds of years, I am sure there has been more than one type of alien visiting this planet. However at the moment the "Greys" seem to be the most prominent with bases on the Earth or not far from it.

CHRIS TEBBLE.

4. **IF ALIENS ARE PRESENT DO THEY COME FROM:-**

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| (a) MOON. | 8.5% |
| (b) PLANETS OF THE SOLAR SYSTEM. | 23.4% |
| (c) BEYOND THE SOLAR SYSTEM | 68.1% |

The feeling is that aliens originate outside the solar system. More than 2 out of 3 support the idea, although in some cases the proviso that they are using the Moon or other planets as bases. The inhospitable Moon and planets have all now been photographed close up, save Pluto in the depths of space, and the results hardly give encouragement to finding beings like us there, although some form of spiritual intelligence could exist. - Ed.

(a) I feel that the question of the Moon is a good one. Before the Space Age many wondered what it was. They asked: "Is it a chunk broken from the Earth?" "Is it solid?" "Does anyone live there?"

The question of the Moon still remains a bit of a mystery. Its orbit is too perfect; its too large to be a natural satellite; its too hostile to bear life; but what about inside it?

The Moon is massive, an enormous one-fourth of the Earth's size - as big as the USA! Could it be that our Moon is inhabited by aliens? It does sound silly, but not when you think about it. Scientists have wondered about the Moon's massive bulge, and have concluded that it is a non-equilibrium one. If so, how does Lunar manage to carry this bulge? Obviously its outer interior must be metallic!

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Is it possible to conclude that the Moon, our constant celestial partner, could have been constructed and placed within its all too perfect orbit? If so, then why?

If the Moon really is artificial, with beings living inside it, how did they get in or out? Orientale! - also known as the bulls-eye, could possibly be the door! To add further consideration to this astounding (but not my own) idea, scientists have discovered negative gravitational anomalies or negative mascons, near to and all around the Orientale.

Having said all this, the Moon might just be a natural satellite, a freak of nature, and our Earth-Moon scenario might just be a double planetary system. After all, Mars is only 1/10th of Earth's size, but has two satellites. *DAVE SURMAN.*

(a,b) Keyhoe proposed at one stage that the Ufonauts originated on Mars and had an advance base on the Moon. If this is so, it is possible that the Ufonauts spend more time in obscure corners of the Earth than they do in their lunar base.

BRIAN BURDEN.

(a,b,c) I believe that Alien races are using bases within the Solar System as staging posts, so all options are possible.

BRIAN JAMES (CHAIRPERSON)

(a,b,c) Who cares? Let them be known by their products, irrespective of their origins. (Racial discrimination of aliens?). *N.L*

5. **IF ALIENS ARE PRESENT ARE THEY:-**

- | | |
|---|-------|
| (a) FRIENDLY. | 71% |
| (b) MALEVOLENT. | 29% |
| (c) LIVING HERE PERMANENTLY. | 44.7% |
| (d) DOING EXPERIMENTS BEFORE MOVING ON. | 55.3% |

The question is subdivided in considering (a) and (b) together, and (c) and (d). You are strongly in favour of aliens being friendly rather than malevolent (thank goodness). A number mentioned they were probably "indifferent" to us, which is maybe why they never communicate except through bizarre abduction scenarios. What they are doing on Earth is less clear from answers (c) and (d). -Ed.

(a,b,) Staying with the idea that the Cosmos may be a place for "all" intelligent living entities, then I feel that in order for this to work, some kind of moral and ethical value, must somehow be a universal nature. In other words, staying with our "reason theory", in order for intelligence to live in harmony with intelligence, the "reason" of the Cosmos must also be the "reason" behind the gift of life. So yes, I think they must be friendly - but just as on Earth, there is evil.

DAVE SURMAN

(a,b) Neither - they are motivated by callous self-interest.

BRIAN BURDEN.

(a) I think all other intelligent forms must be friendly, otherwise they would not have been able to develop their technology.

M. ORME.

6. CLAIMS OF 'ABDUCTION' ARE:-

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| (a) GENUINE PHYSICAL EXPERIENCES. | 60.9% |
| (b) MIND EXPERIENCES. | 30.0% |
| (c) FABRICATIONS BY WITNESSES. | 9.1% |

Again a clear majority of you believe abductions are a physical event. Very few of you consider the concept fraudulent, so we will endeavour to report more cases in Awareness if and when they come to light. In fact we have a member's testimony in this edition - the first time she has felt able to report a harrowing experience from 1985. -Ed.

(b) This is a controversial subject, with some suggesting that a condition known as Temporal Lobe Labillity might be the cause for certain mystical, spiritual, and even abduction experiences. I'm no expert, but I think that whatever can't be explained by logic, can be explained by theory; that's not a dig at scientists!

DAVE SURMAN.

(b) Non-physical experiences affecting the body.

N.L.

(a.b) Sometimes the etheric spirit is plucked by aliens from the human body, and it is not the physical body that has the experience - I am getting many abduction cases.

MARGARET FRY.

(a) I am certain that many people world-wide have been taken for medical examinations with some on a repeater basis. The experience is vivid and in most cases disturbing.

CHRIS TEBBLE.

(b) Perhaps triggered by some as yet unknown catalyst.

DAVID ALDRIDGE.

7. CROP CIRCLES ARE CREATED BY:-

- | | |
|--|-------|
| (a) UNKNOWN INTELLIGENCE\ ALIEN FORCE. | 53.2% |
| (b) UFO LANDING MARKS. | 6.9% |
| (c) NATURAL PHENOMENON. | 9.2% |
| (d) HOAXERS | 30.7% |

Inspite of the vilification of the subject from 1991 onwards, (a good sign that there might be something in it) over half of you still support the concept of an unknown intelligence being responsible, although it is accepted that there are a proportion of hoaxes each year. The natural phenomenon idea originally promoted by Dr Terence Meaden until his 1991 embarrassments, now finds little support. "Awareness" is one of the few UFO journals still reporting factual information on the subject. -Ed.

Human Psychic Consciousness.

S.SALAMAN

(d) Own research "in the fields" has led to this conclusion. (HOAXING)

LIONEL BEER. HAMPTON. MIDDX

Mother Earth's tears and warning of Physical Change.

JOHN CALLAGHAN. LIVERPOOL

I was lucky enough while on holiday in Wiltshire to examine a freshly formed crop circle quite early in the morning. There was no sign of a hoax - everything was pristine. I cannot say what made it, but there must be some kind of intelligence involved.

CHRIS TEBBLE

8. THE "ROSWELL" EVENT OF 1947 IS:-

- | | |
|---|-------|
| (a) CRASHED UFO WITH ALIEN OCCUPANT(S). | 80.6% |
| (b) SECRET MILITARY DEBRIS - NOT UFO. | 16.1% |
| (c) OTHER. | 3.2% |

"Roswell" rules! A solid majority support the alien crash and are not deterred by USAF or GAO reports summarised in previous magazines. -Ed.

(a) Roswell was the site of a crashed UFO and alien entities. There has been a massive cover up over the years and now I understand documents have gone missing believed to have been destroyed by government agencies.

CHRIS TEBBLE.

(b) The "Mogul" balloon would seem most likely.

DAVID ALDRIDGE.

9. THE ALIEN AUTOPSY\ SANTILLI FILM IS:-

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------|
| (a) FOOTAGE OF ALIEN. | 12.1% |
| (b) HOAX BY GOVERNMENT\MILITARY\CIA | 46.4% |
| (c) GENUINE EVENT BUT SOMETHING ELSE. | 41.4% |

The most essential conclusion from this question is that the body on the slab is not "alien". You are fairly equally divided in suggesting the hoax or original footage of some freak or mutation. Several replies reminded us that the most likely reason for producing the footage was to make money for Santilli and his company. At the time of writing there are promises of further revelations to come, but no sign of anything since last Autumn has emerged. -Ed.

(a) The data is scanty and the heavy hand of the debunker has complicated matters. That silly red herring about the curly phone cord could have been killed at source, so why, I wonder, was that particular hare started and allowed to run?

The question we need to know is WHY the Santilli film was made. The poor quality hand-held footage indicates that it was not made as a SF movie - unless the intention was that it should be introduced into the story as clandestine footage smuggled out of the autopsy room. If so, let the debunkers find their aborted movie.

The most likely explanation, supported by the claims of the alleged cameraman, is that the Santilli film consists of extracts from a continuous record of a genuine autopsy, originally made to keep a record of the protocol followed by the medics.

BRIAN BURDEN.

A genuine film of some other origin could be used by intelligence services to perpetuate a hoax on the Roswell Incident.

BRIAN JAMES.

The Alien Autopsy did not look genuine to me on the Santilli film - but I know that the crash of the UFO was genuine. I remember it happening at the time I was at school, and have newspaper clippings of the event.

JOHN CROFT. CLEETHORPES, S.HUMBERSIDE.

The Alien Autopsy which I first saw on video did not seem real at all. In fact it is a debunking of the whole event by government agencies in a hope that the incident will go away once and for all.

CHRIS TEBBLE.

10. DOES A GOVERNMENT COVER UP OVER UFOs EXIST?

- | | |
|----------------------------|------|
| (a) YES | 90% |
| (b) NO | 3.3% |
| (c) ONLY IN SOME COUNTRIES | 6.7% |

Absolutely no doubts at all on this question, but I must say all investigations carried out by Contact Int. over the past 15 years have proved nothing. We found out there was government activity at Rudloe Manor in Wilts some years back, and that place is still being spied on by investigators from other organisations. Recently we examined several UFO files at the Public Records Office at Kew released under the 30 year rule and found no evidence of superior knowledge in the government. Every successive President of the USA has been about to spill the beans and never has - and so it goes on. Yes, I'm quite sure many governments have files on UFOs and have paid operatives evaluating them, but to assume they have contacts with aliens is rather a big jump to take. Prove me wrong please! -Ed.

(a) There is nothing paranoid about recognising that the intrusion of foreign aircraft into national airspace becomes, inevitably, an issue of military security and hence is subject to secrecy. In cold war confrontations, the secrecy was usually relaxed when the military felt it had the upper hand over the intruders. For years the British public was told nothing about the continual probing of British air defences, until the Air Force was able to issue a photo of one such intruder under escort by two Lightning fighters.

BRIAN BURDEN.

(a) As some countries now have freedom of information, more UFO film and reports are filtering through. However the vast majority are still not being made public. This is specially true in the USA where agencies such as the CIA, FBI and NASA are keeping facts of UFOs and alien contacts hidden from the public.

CHRIS TEBBLE.

Editor: The majority of replies indicated paranormal preferences in most of their answers, but we have a small number of more sceptical members who selected the rational choices - often with good reasons. A further group do not like everything to be black and white and marked several alternatives to almost every question.

It should be pointed out that this survey does not reflect beliefs in the public at large - completely random sampling by Gallup or other polling organisation would be needed to ascertain true results and the chances are the majority of the population would display an apathetic approach to most of the questions. However views presented within our organisation will give the new council ideas on what the membership wants to concentrate on in future research programmes. Now on to members personal UFO experiences!

RESPONDENTS UFO FILE

CASE 1. I was going down the road to meet a friend - he had already started to walk up with his binoculars as we were going on a UFO watch. I was meeting him to call it off, as our other friend couldn't make it. As we stood and talked for all of 5 minutes, an object glided over and continued on a dead straight course for as long as we could see it. It made no sound on its journey, and to the naked eye it looked like a bright orangy ball. But when we took a closer look through the binoculars, it was in the shape of a rough looking star. As it moved away, two fighter jets flew quite low towards the object from our right. They flew underneath the object and continued on. The object did nothing but carry on. The fighter jets might seem normal except for the fact that it was approximately 12.15 a.m. Not in all the 16 years I've lived here, have I known jets to fly at that time of night, or in that particular flight path.

Stupidly, I have never kept details of any of my experiences, so therefore I can't give you a date. All I know is it was during the 1994 World Cup.

DARREN HUDSON, TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

CASE 2. Summer 1966, about 3.00 a.m., over the lights of the city of Le Havre, saw an object flying very slowly and very low with no lights or noise. It looked like a jet plane (without engines in the wings) or a cigar with extended wings. Don't remember if there was a tail fin. It was flying from east to west towards the sea.

PIERRE HERVIEUX, SAINTE ADRESSE, FRANCE.

CASE 3/4. I have seen two UFOs.

1. 1977, Yakima, WA, USA, Summer.

Bright light hovered over my home for 10-15 seconds. Both my father and I saw the object, yet he denied having seen it. I was 7.

2. July 1984, Springvale, WA, USA.

Again bright object hovered 100-150 meters away from me in a clearing near my grandparents home. I was hidden by forest. It remained stationary for 10-15 seconds after appearing, then took off in a north west direction. I was 14.

VAL WHEELER, HELENSBURGH, SCOTLAND.

CASE 5. Date August 8th 1995. I arrived home from work at 10.20 p.m. Looking at the sky it was a clear night. I entered the house, rested for about 20 minutes and then had my supper. After supper I always have a cigarette, and due to having a 11 month old child, I always smoke outside. After being outside for a couple of minutes around 11.00 p.m., I noticed a strange but stationary light in the sky due north of our house, very high in the sky and probably very distant. I observed the light for a while and I noticed the colour of it was clearly changing, even though the object looked like a star.

I had the feeling it might not be a star, so I called my wife to the back door and pointed out to her what I could see. Her first impression was that it was only a star, but as she continued to observe the object, she became sceptical about it, as by this time the object was clearly changing colour from white to red to green in a clear definition. Also at this point, the object seemed to change shape and size, and at regular intervals split into 2 pieces, first splitting upwards and downwards. This was observed clearly by both me and my wife.

The time now was about 11.20p.m. By now we had both decided to retire to bed and continued to observe the object from the window. At about 12.20a.m. I ceased to observe the object and retired to my bed. My wife had already retired to bed 10 min's earlier.

At 12.45a.m. our 11 month child had awoken and when I looked out of the window the object was gone and didn't seem to be anywhere else in the sky.

I am very sceptical about this due to if it was an object it was so distant but it did seem unusual.

J.A.B. BROOKES

CASE 6. Date August 1988. At the end of August 1988 I was staying with a friend in Norman, OK, USA. Just before sunset we became aware of a bright light - about the size of Venus - directly above us. I looked at it through x20 binoculars and it appeared as a sphere with a dome underneath. We both watched it for a few minutes. It suddenly decreased in brightness then vanished completely.

I should add that my friend is a science professor who also is a qualified pilot. He said that whatever it was it was not an aircraft or helicopter.

N. REID. LONDON.

CASE 7. Saw a large fiery orange ball, trailing small tail of sparks, flying low over Liverpool about 10p.m. one evening. Dark. 10p.m. news reported it overflying low over London and western Ireland, so NOT coming down. Moving at fair speed and travelling NW direction. Telephoned local airport. (over which it had overflowed) and enquired whether they had seen. Usual response - "What large flying ball?"

JOHN CALLAGHAN, LIVERPOOL.

CASE 8. Picture this, a man driving home, location near central England, a very dark night, the time about seven, the month November. There were no stars, moon or planets to be seen, a still night. The man stops his vehicle to relieve himself. The vehicle was parked on the left hand side of the road headed west. The man gets out of the vehicle on the right side and walks around to the other side because there may have been some other car or other type of vehicle coming up behind, but there was not. The man now standing facing northwards with the westerly section on his left side, standing there looking at the blackness of his surroundings and thinking what a black night. There was not a flicker of a star to be seen. Looking left he thought how far to the next town and then to his right to where he had come from, to the East and then in front of him to North. He then, after all this began to pick out something large and even darker than the dark sky and land that almost blended into one. Yes, a large dark mass began to appear before him, denser than the background was a larger image, now that his eyes had got used to the dark after driving some miles from his departure, he was now able to decipher that it was a large tree in a corner of a field opposite from where he was standing. Also, there was a suggestion of a low hedge within the vicinity of the tree which was across the other side of the road from the men. Still looking to and fro for some light star, planet, farm house light, headlight rays from some approaching car, etc., nothing. Most unusual, nothing, only those two very dark masses, the tree and the hedge.

Well! he says to himself, I have never seen such a dark still night as this. Looking to and fro once more, a spot of light like a distant star, low in the east, could it be that the cloud edge was just leaving the eastern section after all, just clearing the horizon. He wonders what planet it could be not knowing anything about astronomy. He gives up bothering about it. He has another look at the dark tree and hedge, moving to the rear of the van to go around to the drivers side, feeling with his feet for any holes in the ground which could be a problem. On doing this he put his hand onto the rear of the van to steady himself, automatically looking down. Seeing nothing but a blackness, then looking up once more he glanced over to the right, eastwards. There, after all this, he noticed a planet shining low in the sky. All he could do was deduce that it was a planet and continued to look at it for a moment or two. Then he realised that it was moving and lo, it was coming towards him. Oh! Good grief, that thing is travelling fast. He just stood there and this light just came closer, a mauvish purple colour. Then, it arrived and stopped just before a dark tree and a little to the right of it. There it was, he was just stunned, aghast at the thing in front of him. There it was, being in the building trade, he did immediately estimate the size as that of a bungalow. This is something like thirty odd feet to forty feet across and some twenty five feet from base to top. It just hovered, one side lower than the other. Facing it, the left hand side was lower than the right. On the left of the object there were two hazy colours. The first colour was a medium shade of green. This was denser than the peripheral shade which was a parish yellowy white. The underneath part of what ever it was seemed to be a rather unexplainable red. The nearest if that of a molten metal, that it is seen in liquid metal in the making. Now, the top part was not all that attractive to the eye-but on looking at it made one think of a welding apparatus in operation. Eyes were then looking at the right hand side of the object. This was lit up by its own colour emissions. From the top part, which was a whitish blue, looking to the right there was a half type dome. Following down this lead to a wider area leading to a continued part that was a large type of flange. That diminished out of view. Looking at this object overall, there became an awareness that the whole object was moving from side to side, a left to right oscillation. Looking at this en masse, there was a realization on another aspect of this object. It was noticed that on the bottom part that was red, to the left hand side there appeared to be a round ball, some three quarters off being full. This was something like an electric bulb for want of an explanation. This was seen to pulsate something of the order of twice a second. As it pulsated, it lit up with a light of bright yellow glow. As this reached its

height of glow, it was noticed that an inner core was to be seen to hold the source of the emission and had the shape of an apple core, ie., imagine an apple when eaten and what you are left with-that shape. The whole thing was pulsating but this part was doing more than anything else on this thing. It just wavered to and fro whilst pulsating. The witness found himself breathing and pulsating with it. The whole being was as though it was in rhythm with it, an overwhelming togetherness and overriding effect had taken place. What is it imparting to the viewer, what is it, phew, I do not know-yet in the subconscious there is something-oh dear-what? Then, in the lower part of the dome there was seen to be two or three circular apertures and in one a lighter shape that moved to the left and was not seen again. Cor blimey, just look at it, just there across the road was this ha, this thing, this wavering, pulsating thing. As big as a large bungalow. The breathing of the witness was more or less in rhythm with the object. Another point was noticed. It was not just the undulating rhythm of the breathing and pulsating flow from this thing but there was a feeling of tingling down the outer part of the top part of the shoulders, along the arms to the ends of the fingers and down to the knees. A type of shivering. Wow! Being more alive right to the top of both sides of his head. There was then a change in the scene, the ball underneath the object stopped glowing on and off. Also, the yellow peripheral part changed as well as the green hue. The colour changed to a mauve shade but the top part remained whitish blue. There was a slight change in attitude of the object was noted, a tilt towards the witness causing the red area to become smaller, bringing about a better view of the upper dome area. Look at it, there it was and then it was on the move, after the toing and froing from left it went to the right and started to diminish in size as it went up at a slight incline in altitude. There appeared to be a waver from side to side, probably some three times at most, a kind of side swinging motion, it got smaller and smaller and was gone. An ever diminishing point of mauvish light with that overriding whitish blue haze on top of it.

The aftermath of this was very interesting to go into. He just stood there for a moment or two and then he shuddered as though he was shaking off some sort of energy or accumulated feelings. A kind of tingling sensation went through his body. After that there was an aloneness, the quietness, the dark tree and the hedge, an emptiness prevailed. Well! There is nothing else to do but get back into the vehicle and travel onto the next town. He switched his ignition and the engine started up. On he went towards the next town. This part of the journey was uneventful, in as much as things were relatively quiet, it seemed good to get away from that thing, probably because of the doubt of what it was. A kind of not knowing, a thinking of, "I did see it?", but it was nothing like anything that he had seen before. Oh good grief, lets get home and in the house, where his wife was. Arriving home he was greeted by his spouse and was asked if there had been a mishap or something as he looked rather shaken and pale in the face. He found that he was rather cold, whether or not the room was cold to the heat of the interior of the vehicle. Somebody said that the following day he was in a dream, just could not get it out of his mind. Now and again he kind of looks back and wonders.

He wondered if someone else had seen it. On enquiries, two men had seen the thing. Royal Air Force personnel on night duty. One was contacted by phone and a place and date was arranged to meet. They never showed up. On contacting the Air Base he was put through to the section which they were working out of and was informed that the two men were not available. A continued enquiry was carried out and then was informed that they were not at the Air Base but had been transferred to another Field. So, after two weeks had elapsed, a phone call was made to the said Air Base asking for one of the airmen by long distance pretension that one was a relative and lo he was there. Asked how his friend was, he was informed that he was quite well and still on Base. Somebody is a liar. Why? You may ask. It is just one of those things!

JIM RAYNER, NOTTS

ABDUCTION 1985

Editor: The following is the original and exclusive account submitted by Contact International member Marie. As she states it has taken 11 years to come out with her terrifying recollections. You maybe are

able to draw up comparisons with other abduction scenarios or have some ideas of what took place - which we would like to hear about.

The story I am about to tell you all is still as terrifying to me today as it was 11 years ago, and it has taken me this time to tell my tale. What happened to me was real and the fear I had then is still with me now. Firstly I must state that I am a psychic, but I don't read palms or Tarot Cards etc. any more. I work with guides from other dimensions.

In 1985 I divorced my husband and moved into my mother's home. I worked nights, so everything that did happen was either after midnight on my nights off, or between 5 and 6 in the late afternoon before I went to work. It all started in about April 1985 a month after I had moved in with Mum.

It was on a night off. I found it hard to sleep on a Saturday night, so I used to sit up in bed and read. Then over one Saturday about 1:30 in the morning of Sunday, I was sitting up in bed reading as usual when I felt someone was in the house, and was outside my bedroom door. To my shock the room filled with the brightest light I've ever seen in my life. I couldn't open my eyes; the whole room was pure white light. Then I went rigid I couldn't move one part of my body except my eyes. Something was standing at the bottom of my bed and each time I tried to look the light wouldn't let me.

At first I thought it may have been a visitor with something to tell me from the other side, but this was different. I had the strongest feeling that who-ever it was, was going to rape me, but was hesitant at what to do. I remember thinking - "Its no good doing that to me I'm too old to produce children" - but why I did think those words I don't know, they just came into my head.

Then the next thing I knew I was in a great deal of pain in my waist and lower rib area. It was like having a baby but even worse than that. I called on my guides to help me, but they didn't respond at all. I couldn't get any help at any other level whereas normally my guides will always step in when I'm in any danger. I said a mantra which usually gets rid of any bad entities but nothing happened. Suddenly I was free of pain and the light was gone, only because I told it to impolitely go away and that I wouldn't let it into me. I believed that it was something trying to take over my body, and I know that sounds stupid but it does happen. I didn't get to sleep until the next day but it didn't bother me much and I carried on as normal thinking maybe it was a dream, and nothing else happened for several days. Then on a Saturday night again, it came just in the same way but this time to the side of me. I couldn't see it but I could hear it moving. I could feel it touching me and then the pain. This time it was worse. I tried to shout but my mouth wouldn't move. I was screaming in my mind. I just couldn't cope with hurting so much. I kept screaming at it in my head and it just seemed to get madder with me and hurt me even more. It felt that my body was being crushed slowly. Then it was gone in a flash; the pain stopped and I just lay there thinking what is this? Then as I lay there trying to pull myself together, frightened to move in case it came back, I thought to myself - "perhaps my ex husband was sending me this thing in his mind to get me for leaving him". He also had powers the same as me, but not so strong. So I decided that I was going to send it back to him. However the next day it came back, but this time it was 5:30. That same afternoon.

I had decided to go upstairs for a lie down. I was feeling very tired and had been like this for days. I felt so drained but just put it down to working nights, and also thought that my guides may have been using some of my energy as they sometimes did for a job they had to do on the other side. Whenever they did this they always gave me a boost of energy afterwards to help me cope, but had never left me this drained before. I didn't even get to my bed this time. The next thing I knew was that I was lying flat on my back unable to move, I was mentally fighting this thing as hard as I could. I was saying to it "you can't hurt me I am protected, go back to wherever you came from. Leave me alone. I can fight you. You can't win." Then along with the pain I felt another pain was added. I felt something sharp cut into my side. It really hurt; there was a sound around me - a hum that could have driven me mad. Then the next thing I knew, I was

on my bed as if dumped there. The fear I felt was awful. How could this be happening to me. Now I began to believe I was going round the bend.

I decide to tell mum and dad what was happening. I had already told my boyfriend. That was a hard thing to do, as he didn't believe in anything like that - not even ghosts. He didn't know what to think when I told him and now I had to tell my parents. they are both great believers in anything to do with ghosts and had seen them. In fact psychics and mediums run in the family.

However it wasn't as easy to tell them and explain as I thought it was going to be, although mum did say that dad wouldn't go near my room. He said that it felt bad in there, and he experienced fear but mum said she wasn't aware of anything wrong in the room.

Later that evening I went up to my room to get ready for work. As I changed my clothes I touched my waist area and felt pain. Feeling with my hand I detected a line about 8 inches long. I looked in the mirror and there was a red mark. I showed mum, but she just said "oh yes" and that's all that was said. I could see they were confused. Mum and dad didn't really want to know.

I went to work feeling very very ill. As weeks went by it came and went in the same way. I became very thin and my hair had started falling out. I can't explain how ill I felt. I was beginning to think that I was mentally poorly, but didn't go to a doctor. How could I - what would I tell him? I started eating sweets hoping they would give me some energy. They didn't work. I tried tonics; good food. Nothing helped.

The fear in me of the pain I had to endure night after night, day after day became intolerable.

As time went by I got used to my visitor but sometimes before it got the chance to do anything I used to run out of my room to my parents. At weekends, dad used to go into the spare room and I would sleep with mum. It never came after me there, but I couldn't keep turfing dad out of bed on a Saturday night. So I just coped. You are probably wondering why I didn't sleep in the spare room. Well it was full of junk and I never felt compelled to do so. I just knew it would still get me.

Believe it or not 5 months went by. I was a zombie - my hair which was once down to my waist was now shoulder length without ever seeing the scissors. My face was grey, I was very thin and I felt extremely ill. In fact I'm sure I was dying. I wanted to die - I just couldn't take any more, I knew that it was going to have to be a battle - I had to get it somehow - and I just knew that if I could get to the fourth dimension I could have it. But I knew that it was aware I was now too weak to fight much longer and I believed that this being was from the 4th dimension and was weaker than me on its own territory. I was sure at that time that it was an evil entity or an extremely naughty one that had to be sorted.

One afternoon at about 5.30 - I can't remember which month it was - but it was dark. I decided it was time to prepare to give up my life to get this thing even though I had an eight year old daughter to think of, but if I didn't try now it would kill me.

I went up to my room, prayed for help from who-ever could be listening to me. I drew in as much energy as I could and as I had astrally travelled before 3 or 4 times in years previous I was ready to do it alone this time.

I wasn't in my room for long. It definitely knew I was waiting. I sat on my bed saying "Come on I'm going to finish you this time."

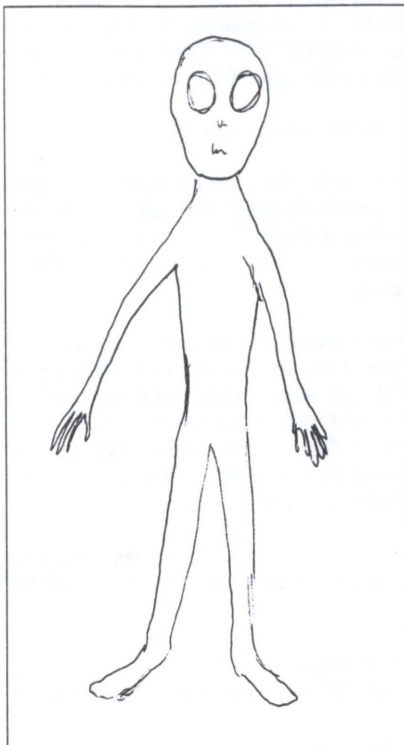
The next thing was, I found myself laying flat and it was standing at the bottom of the bed. This time I could see a faint outline in the light. It came onto my bed and started to come towards my face. I never thought how and what I was going to do. Next I just grabbed it. It was solid - I pulled it with its head. I

can't think if it had hair or not, or maybe a hat of some kind but I got hold of something. I sat up grabbed its legs which were so thin I remember. It was so light in weight and made no sound as I carried it with both legs and swing its body towards the bedroom wall several times. Its head hit the wall several times. I just couldn't stop swinging it harder and harder smashing its puny body. It hung lifeless in my hand. I still couldn't see it properly but it seemed misty. It was pale with large black eyes. I was so elated - I carried it downstairs to show mum and dad.

As I opened the lounge door. I could see mum, dad and Jo, my daughter all sitting there in the dark watching children's T.V. They didn't look round to see me, so I said "look mum I've killed it". No one looked, they couldn't see me or hear me. I must have still been in the 4th dimension.

The next thing that I know is that I was standing in my room looking at the wall which had a dark muddy brown colour splashed on it. the creature had gone. I ran down stairs again, and this time they all turned around and saw me. I said to mum, "I've killed it mum, I'm all right now." She said "thank god darling I'm so glad".

I went to work that night and felt so much better. I didn't know what it was. I just wondered how such a skinny little thing could hurt me so much. I drew a picture of it to show my parents and boyfriend.



I had no idea what it was or where it came from. I never once thought that it could come from space until a year and a half ago.

I was watching a program on Sky T.V. about U.F.O.s. My fear came back in a flash, when I saw someone's drawing which was the same as mine, and people telling their tales of what had happened to them and how they felt, it was just the same for me.

It took dad years to get the mark from the bedroom wall, as each time he painted it or wallpapered, the mark came through, although its gone now.

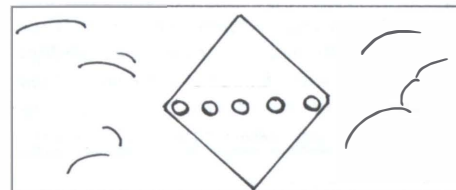
I'm not saying that the creature that came to me was alien, but it could well have been. I started seeing U.F.O.s since I was eight years old and I've only once seen them at night and I can't tell you how I know, but I do know they are going to contact us soon, and there is a part of this country where some of us will meet them. I've still to work that one out yet.

I'm willing to talk to anyone else about what happened.

Marie

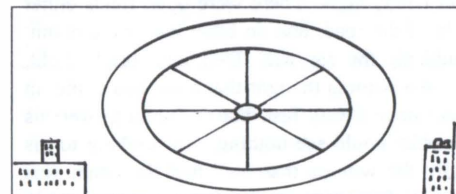
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CONTACT INTERNATIONAL SIGHTING SUMMARIES



21 November 1993 - Cockermouth, Cumbria

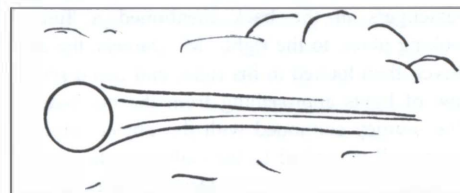
Alyson Bellingham and Margaret Patterson, were witnesses to a UFO that was visible for over an hour. At first it appeared to be like a bright star to the South, but then it was seen as a diamond-shape, with various coloured lights around its centre, which were changing all the time as the whole thing rotated. It was estimated to have been between 3 - 5 miles away, and could have been the size of 'a fishing boat'. The witnesses phoned Manchester Airport, who assured them that there was no traffic in their vicinity. They then phoned the police, who admitted that there had been numerous calls, but that it was only 'the Northern Lights'. The police officer did mention that the RAF had been informed, and within minutes jets were heard overhead, but by now the UFO had moved. The witnesses state that they had seen such an object on a few occasions. **A curious follow up was that the MOD contacted the witnesses for further details, not an obvious action for 'the Northern Lights'.* [Source: Contact]



28 October 1993 - Hampstead, London

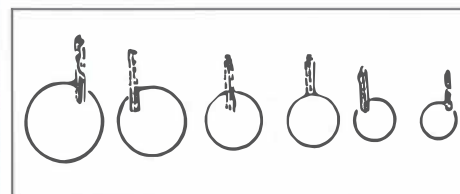
Kasser Hussain was travelling home from work on the train from Gerrards Cross to Marylebone, and it was sometime between 5.40 and 6.15pm. Kasser was sitting next to the window on the right of a half-full carriage, and while passing somewhere near Hampstead, noticed a big object moving parallel with the train, over

Northwest London. The object was at an elevation of 50° in the sky, and it was circular, with sort of segments on its underside. During the sighting, the object was obviously revolving on its central axis, and the lighted segments of the underside were pulsing in brightness. There was also a small pulsing red light being emitted from somewhere on the underside, but the witness was not able to work out its exact source. During the sighting, the witness checked for any internal light reflections off the carriage windows that could have been causing the sighting, but could see none. Kasser also noted that the object was obscured by buildings, lamp-posts etc., so was clearly up in the sky. The sighting lasted for a few seconds, and the object was lost to sight as the railway track went off at a different angle to the path of the object. The witness tried to rationalise the event, but despite the presence of a nearby airfield, could see no logical explanation. [Source: Contact]



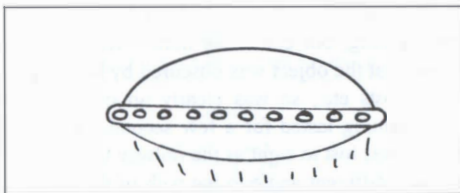
19 January 1994 - Deddington, Oxfordshire

At 1620hrs, the witness was travelling from Clifton to Deddington in his car, when he saw a very fast, round object, with a long trail cross the sky from East to North. The sighting lasted for seconds, and the witness was not able to hear any sound. **Note the date of 19 January, it was exactly one year later when the mass sightings of similar objects were reported over large areas of the U.K.* [Source: Contact]



23 January 1994 - Dover, Kent

The witness was reading by his window, on a sunny day, with a cloudless blue sky. The witness then reports something akin to a telepathic urge to look out of the window, and was then transfixed by what he saw. There was a line of six chrome-coloured spheres crossing the sky at slow speed. Each sphere had a ray, or beam projecting from its upper surface, and this ray was rotating around the circumference of the sphere. The witness realised that these beams must have been very powerful to have been visible in the sunlight. [Source: Contact]

**27 December 1994 - Kidlington, Oxfordshire**

Steven and Wendy Daniels, along with three friends, were in a car travelling from Kidlington and Tackley at 7.30pm, when one of the passengers in the back mentioned a 'funny looking plane' to the right. Mr Daniels, the car driver, then looked to his right, and could see a row of lights approaching from the north-east. The journey continued with the object coming closer, till it banked to the right and then flew parallel with the road. Mr Daniels pulled into a lay-by, and all the adults got out to watch the apparent craft, though the child was frightened and stayed in the car. By now the craft had come to a halt, and hovered above the fields opposite the lay-by, and this observation, possibly by both parties to the event, went on for a couple of minutes. Mr Daniels could clearly see the branches of trees at the edge of the opposite verge in front of the craft. The object itself was a green metallic disk, with a shallow dome underneath, and a much deeper dome on top. There was a rim round the middle, with a row of white lights. Without warning the object shot away upward and back in the direction from which it had come, and at no time was there any sound. The car journey was then resumed, but all the witnesses could still see a glow in the clouds where the object had passed

through, and this glow remained for a number of minutes. **All five witnesses produced reports, and drawings, which clearly show that they all had the same experience. There is the slight possibility that one of the many airships was in the area, but the description, and performance of the object, would not be consistent with any airship.** [Source: Contact]

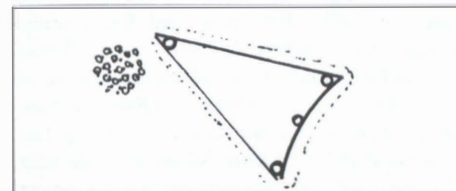
**14 August 1994 - Oxford**

The witnesses were travelling through Oxford station when they noticed a bright light in the Western sky. They were unable to get any other train passengers to look, but did take a photograph of the light. **The photo taken by the witness does look like a simple parhelia and part of a halo around the sun. Weather records of a member of Data Research confirm optical meteorological phenomena on that date. It may be a coincidence, but the last crop formation in the region, at West Ilsley, was found on the following day.** [Source: Oxford Journal]

17 January 95 - Wantage, Oxfordshire
(Illustration on front cover)

The 50 year old witness was driving home to Didcot along the A417 after midnight on a wet and windy night. There were open fields either side of the road, and no other cars were about. Suddenly the car was filled with bright light, and the witness thought that a car had come up from behind very fast, but on looking over his shoulder could see nothing. On looking to his right, the witness then saw that the beam was coming from a craft, which he at first thought might have been the Thames Valley police helicopter. However, when getting a better look, he could see a green delta-shaped craft in the sky, and it was following his car with a strong beam of light. While the beam was being played into the car, the vehicle became ice cold. The craft had four windows at the front, which seemed to have red light coming from

inside. The craft moved off at very high speed, and was gone in a flash, leaving a blue trail. **While the witness did not indicate any time loss, we are still investigating further. This sighting took place 2 days before the mass sightings of the blue or green ball-like UFOs with long blue trails.** [Source & Investigation: Contact]

**21 February 1995 - Arnold, Nottinghamshire**

At 8.10pm Jim Berenger was leaving his house with his friend Martine, when they noticed a very bright star-like light low to the horizon. The light seemed to be approaching, and the witnesses were able to see small pin-prick lights to the right of the main light as it got nearer. The lights came overhead, and other flashing white, red and blue lights were visible on the underside of the object, which had the shape of a triangle. Martine, who has perfect vision, was still able to see the pin-prick white lights to the side of the main object, which was estimated to be no more than 800' up, and was of a large aircraft size. The motion of the object was very slow, and in a perfect straight line. A very faint roar was heard as the object passed overhead. **The witness reported a similar configuration of lights three days later, but it was further away, and was too distant to define, even with binoculars.** [Source & Investigation: Contact]

30 July 1995 - Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

At 12.45am, a star-like, multi-coloured object was seen about 15° above the Southwestern horizon by four witnesses, and one of the witnesses stated that he had seen such a UFO a few weeks before. The object moved from side to side over a period of 20 minutes, before instantly 'jumping' to a new position about 40° up, and further to the South. The UFO then performed some very impressive manoeuvres, and repeatedly moved sideways, then down, in very rapid jumps, almost describing a stair-like

pattern. This was all done with no apparent acceleration or deceleration, just start then stop, so it was oblivious to what our science would recognise as momentum and inertia, to say nothing of it being unaffected by the atmosphere, as there was no noise at any point. At various times during the 45 minutes of observation, there were other flashes of light in that area of the sky, which could have been aircraft, but they did not seem to be connected with the UFO. **The reporter of this sighting was very thorough in his evaluation of what he, and his friends had seen that night, and could come up with no logical explanation.** [Source: Contact]

24 September 1995 - Bromsgrove, Worcs
(Illustration on front cover)

A young man was able to witness not one, but two of the by now well known 'black triangle' type objects at 11.45pm. The witness had been inside watching television when he heard a loud electrical buzzing noise, and on going to the window saw a large flat triangular object, with a number of white lights along its sides. The object was moving very slowly, at perhaps only 15 mph, towards the West, when it banked over to the right while climbing, and then the underside could be seen. There was a single red light at the front, and a single white light at each rear corner. The witness then noticed another identical object to the first, only a few feet away from it, and both moved in perfect unison in manoeuvring as they continued out of the witness's line of sight. The witness admitted to being 'gobsmacked' by what he saw, and doubts that it was a military aircraft, even if it was the most likely explanation. **Similar cases: Sweden 1980s; The Belgium events of the early 1990s; Many reports from eastern Britain in 1994 and 1995; Westbury October 1995.** [Source: Contact UK]

5 October 1995 - Westbury, Northants
(Illustration on front over)

22 year old Ian Brock of Westbury was another to witness the classic 'black triangle' at 7.45pm while travelling along the A422. At first all Ian could see were bright lights off to his side, and curiosity took hold, so he turned back to have a

better look. An 80 ft long black triangular craft came into view moving at about 100 mph, it had a bright white light at each corner, and a pulsing red light in the centre of the underside. The craft was lost to sight behind trees, so Ian drove back along the road to get another look as it continued towards Finmere before abruptly turning to the East without banking over. **Similar cases: This type of UFO is identical to those seen over Belgium in 1990 and 1991, even down to the pulsating red light in the centre of the craft's underside.** [Source: Contact UK]

19 November 1995 - Newbury, Berkshire (Illustration on front cover)

The 44 year old witness was in his back garden, in the centre of Newbury at 6.00pm on the Sunday evening. His attention was drawn to something in the sky, which had made stars blink out. The witness moved out into the middle of his back lawn for a better look, and could see a series of red lights, apparently arranged around the outside of a triangle. The object was quite low and totally silent, and moving fairly fast, certainly faster than the transport aircraft seen in and around RAF Greenham Common for some years, which the witness was familiar with. The object went overhead, and was gone over the town within moments, leaving the witness surprised at what he had just experienced. He did think about phoning his father across the other side of the town, but realised that the object would have been gone before he could have explained what to look for. [Source & Investigation: Contact]

14 February 1996 - Hinckley, Leicestershire to Lechlade, Gloucestershire

The witness - Rita Goold, will be known to many for her involvement in UFO and Crop Circles research, as well as her psychic experiences. Rita regularly travels from Leicester to Avebury late on a Wednesday. On 15 February Rita phoned our investigations co-ordinator to relate a lengthy UFO sighting/event, which lasted for nearly two hours over 80 miles.

While driving through Hinckley just before midnight, Rita became aware of a bright light in the sky that seemed to be moving with her. Rita

was adamant that it was not Venus, or Sirius, since she is familiar with celestial objects, and certainly Venus had long since gone below the horizon. At times Rita stopped the car to line up the light with a tree, or fence post, and she could see it moving and sometimes hovering. The light sometimes came closer, and sometimes went further away, but it still seemed to be tracking Rita's car, or as she described, 'escorting her'. Rita continued her journey through Warwickshire, and onto the old Fosse Way and towards Stow-on-the-Wold. At times the object came much closer, and Rita was now getting worried, and admits she drove very fast on some stretches of road. When Rita was near Moreton-in-Marsh, she noticed that the object had changed, and she stopped the car, but didn't get out. The object had now become a triangle of multi-coloured lights. A black silhouette of a triangle was plainly visible because of a light corona, or aura around its edges. The object came closer, and Rita started driving very fast towards Burford. During this time, Rita lost sight of the triangle, but it seemed to have become a big red ball which still escorted her. As Rita was nearing Lechlade, on the A361, the red ball veered off to the East, heading in the direction of Faringdon and Wantage. Rita didn't see anything more unusual in the rest of her journey past Swindon and down to Avebury, but she had been worried at parts of the journey, which had been down at times quiet roads. The only other driver who might have been aware of the red ball was that of a Lynx couriers van between Burford and Lechlade. When Rita got home, she sat down to relax, and made a cup of tea, and then was aware that her journey had taken about an hour longer than it normally would, despite her at times fast speeds, though she is unable to definitely rule out spending a lot of time stopped while just watching the object. Rita also experienced aches and pains in the neck and shoulders the next day, but cannot be sure it was not caused by having the driver's window down to watch the object, while travelling at speed on a freezing night. **Investigations and follow up are continuing.**

[Source: Contact]

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CONTAINER TO SOUL ARE YOU RECEIVING ?

by J.A. Brookes*

If we are to presume there is no way in which any civilisation, no matter how advanced, can see into the future and be in control of their destiny - but there is a possibility they could see our future. We can assume that we are not in control of our own destiny. If this is so, then the control factor that these higher beings would have over us would be colossal.

We read within the holy books of many religions about their respective Gods coming from the skies, with their own respective knowledge of our futures and messages of eventual demise of our civilisation. People throughout the ages had no responsible explanation other than to refer to this activity, and worship it, as "God". In modern times this would not happen. The knowledge of our civilisation is now much greater and higher beings would not be able to intervene in this way, and even though throughout the ages they have had a great influence on mankind, we have misinterpreted the signals.

Supposing their intervention was more than just a guiding intervention! For instance, if we were a genetic interbreed with a specific function to fulfil; this sounds far fetched and could be compared to something out of a science fiction novel, but if these beings are so much more advanced than we are, this is the type of level on which further investigations should be carried out.

Not convinced? Well, say that the statement that we are humans were nothing more than "containers of soul" (container the body, soul the very life), was actually fact, then we are reverting back to the fact that we were created by a higher being and put on the earth viz: "God created man and created Earth for man to live on" - thus meaning man has no destiny, no future, we are controlled. But in the 20th century, through our advancement in technology we have slipped the lead, so to speak, and are hurtling aimlessly towards our demise.

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ONE OF OURS - OR ONE OF THEIRS?

by Ray Hunt.

In recent years a steady flow of reports of triangular UFO's has been received, raising the question in the minds of many people, 'Are they UFO's or are they secret military aircraft of the Stealth type?'. I believe that the answer to this question becomes quite obvious when the rules governing airspace are understood and the likelihood of professional aviators breaking the law are considered.

Those who are not involved in aviation may not be aware of the stringent requirements for aviators to observe strict rules concerning airspace and the way in which airspace is planned. In principle airspace will be designated 'Controlled or Uncontrolled'. Pilots may operate in uncontrolled airspace without the requirement for any Air Traffic Control Unit to be aware of their presence. These pilots will observe general air law requirements but will have freedom to operate in this space without filing a Flight Plan or declaring their intentions. Non radio equipped aircraft with no navigation aids other than a map and compass will be found in this airspace on a see and be seen basis. Balloon, gliders, micro lights and all other types of aircraft may operate here. Military aircraft often operate in uncontrolled airspace, often at high speed and low level. There is no substitute for a keen lookout here.

Operation in Controlled Airspace is a rather different matter. this airspace is made up of area's designated for wide and varied purposes. Control Zones, Special Rules Zones, Airways, Military Air Traffic Zones,

Restricted Area's and Danger Area's to name but a few. Both Military and Civil Aircraft may operate in Controlled Airspace subject to having the specified navigation aids and a suitably qualified and licensed pilot. The requirements to operate in Controlled Airspace are stringent and strictly enforced and there is no chance that any pilot other than a highly trained and suitably qualified one will be in Controlled Airspace unless he/she is in total disregard of Air Law and the safety of others. The penalties for infringement of this nature are severe and all pilots are aware of this.

Radar will often reveal rogue aircraft in Controlled Airspace; however for a number of reasons it cannot be relied on. For example, to eliminate such things as weather and birds, slow moving objects can be filtered out and do not show on the operator's screen. This may also exclude slow moving objects such as balloons, gliders and micro lights; therefore ultimate responsibility will rest with pilots.

Aircraft operating in Controlled Airspace will be receiving instructions from Air Traffic Control. These instructions will be adhered to strictly to the letter. In Airways a continuous stream of aircraft will be following precisely the same track, navigating from one beacon to the next. Safety is ensured by the strict control of each aircraft's flight level and separation, determined by Air Traffic Control and executed by air crews - a highly organised and efficient service where nothing is left to chance.

Let us now consider the result of a military Stealth Type aircraft setting out to deliberately break the law and endanger the lives of others by disregarding the Air Space rules and consequently the law. A secret military aircraft will be operating on high authority and for specific purposes. Is it likely that the responsible authority would instruct or condone totally irresponsible operation and run the risk of a massive disaster? Is it likely that a professional pilot would behave in a totally irresponsible manner, disregarding the law and jeopardising his career by deliberately endangering the lives of others?

I DON'T THINK SO.

To operate in Controlled Airspace without authority would be rather like driving a car along a motor way in the wrong direction - a formula for disaster. Test flying of military aircraft would normally be carried out in designated air space, and there are vast areas around the world designated specifically for this purpose. Navigation of military aircraft would normally be carried out within the safe parameters set out under the air navigation order. We ask ourselves the question - "What purpose could irresponsible aviation practices fulfil?"

When we read reports such as the Manchester encounter recently investigated by the CAA Joint Air Miss Working Group which occurred in Controlled Airspace, I believe it is totally unacceptable to attribute this to professional military pilots flying high tech secret aircraft. There are no valid reasons for activities of this irresponsible nature and no benefits to be gained - just a terrible risk of a disaster.

I have no doubts in my mind about the UFO reports made by professional air crews operating in Controlled Airspace and the likely origin of the offenders.

UFO's OF THE SECOND KIND SEEN IN SPACE

new data from Michael Soper

The human race is Verophobic, and hence moves steadily FROM what is true towards what is ephemeral and false, and a phenomenon called UFOlogy is not any exception to this general psychological rule, naturally.

Thus given that people were once much interested in the Type I and Type II reports and now have tended to focus on smaller craft closer and closer to the ground has given me the idea of looking away from the Earth, to the sky, to the ionosphere, to the very edge of space itself.

Beyond this is deep space; the stage of the deep space shots; the lunar landings, the planetary missions; mysterious orbiting objects like 1991VG and the anomalous photographs. Out here the scene is different - the environment is harsh. there is not any possibility of hoaxing, and strange things continue to become reported like the vast THERMAL shadow in the Martian surface (Phobos Probe); the huge ship docked near Phobos; the vast objects photographed during Apollo 16, and the large objects reported over France in 1954 and California in 1951. These large mother ships - the huge cigars are reported more frequently in space than the other discs - and the early description of these craft being the mother ship or spacecraft Carrier for the smaller discs could even be correct.

Consider:

- 1) A huge object photographed by the Russian Phobos probe in 1990 near Phobos (the last frame before the Russian craft went spinning out of control) showed an object with length to width ratio 7.25...
- 2) A huge object with one pointed and one rounded end photographed during the Apollo 16 mission (photo 16/19238) has a slight waist at 3/7 of the full length and a length to width ratio 7.33...
- 3) One huge object of torpedo shape photographed by Adamski showed a length to width ratio of 6.27...
- 4) A huge THERMAL shadow on the Martian surface photographed by the Russian probe, difficult to estimate ratio of (huge penumbra), though definitely very prolate, like a torpedo...
- 5) Cardiff Western Mail 26/5/1955, the crew of the Portuguese Airlines Skymaster Aircraft which landed at London Airport said that whilst flying between Epsom and Dunsfold a long wingless cigar shape flashed by the aircraft, J O A O Almeida. The radio officer said, "In nine years of flying I have never seen anything like (this) long and slim and seemed ...revolving ...flashed under the nose of the aircraft ...(seemed) made of aluminium...". "There was no smoke trail"... , added the Flight Engineer Jose Eliva ...
- 6) Portsmouth Evening News 12/2/1955 ... at East Wittering, 14 year old John Barnard of Rooks Nest Barn Close saw a cigar shaped object in the sky which moved, stopped and disappeared into the clouds... his aunt agreed... At Tangmere R A F station Met Office the information... was taken seriously, a spokesman wanted a description, ...the skies are scanned every half hour from there.

Angel hair which definitely does fall to Earth is often associated with the sightings of the cigars in the atmosphere, which seem to use change of state processes to manoeuvre.

- 7) On 16/4/1952 Hamilton, Ontario Canada, 43.25 Latitude 80 longitude, 7.14pm a cigar shaped object moved towards the Niagara falls over 16 minutes.
- 8) On the 20/4/1952 London, Ontario, Latitude 43 Longitude 81.25, a dark object leaving a vapour trail at approximately 40,000 feet crossed the sky, very fast from North to South at 10.00 am. This was pursued by two P51 Mustangs which could not catch up with the object reckoned to have a speed of 1000 to 2000 mph...
- 9) On 29/4/1952 Singapore at 2 latitude, 104 longitude, a silver cigar spouting white smoke at intervals crossed the sky and disappeared after the largest puff of smoke; the same object was seen 20 miles north.
- 10) On 11/10/1951 Minneapolis two General Mills/Navy Project observers in a plane sighted two grey cigars moving at high speed, one of the objects was seen in a theodolite by a ground observer...
- 11) c August 1952 New Mexico three torpedo shaped objects spotted...
- 12) In Suffolk in late sixties, Mr Gibbons of Crowfield was driving in Suffolk at 21:30 in June when he saw a low cloud moving his way across darkened fields. Then he could see that this was a cigar shaped object about 150 feet long moving slowly and silently, matt black, and fifty feet up. As the object passed him the car lights dimmed.
- 13) At Sassier, France 11/10/54, 4.40 am two people in a car had the engine die and the lights fail as they approached a landed cigar shaped object in a field. The witnesses felt an electrical tingle and were paralysed. There were three small beings beside the UFO...
- 14) On 9/10/46 high above the mountains to the south of Mount Palomar, USA, a huge torpedo hovered; then pointed the nose upwards and effortlessly, silently; lifted into space. Seen by meteor watchers.

15) On 1/8/46 Captain Jack E Puckett was flying C47 transport with copilot and flight engineer from Langley Field Virginia to McDill. Thirty miles from Tampa Florida a large object came towards them on a collision course. This was a long cylinder twice the size of a B29 leaving a trail of fire, with portholes; estimated speed 1500 to 2000 miles per hour.

16) On 20/1/51 Captain L W Vinther of Mid Continent Airlines was asked to investigate a very bright light over the airfield. With copilot F Bachmaier he took a DC3 towards the light which dived on their machine headlong, overtook and flew past 200 feet away above the nose. On this moonlit night the object manoeuvred instantly onto a parallel course and pilots could see the object was the size of a B29 and cigar shaped.

17) At Gaillac France on 27/10/52, one hundred witnesses saw a huge cigar shaped object in the sky tilted at forty five degrees and moving SouthWest slowly. Ten discs were there also, flying jaggedly. It hovered relatively still over the town for ten minutes, and the discs seemed to create a lot of angel hair falling to the ground and dissolving. From the upper end of the cylinder a plume of smoke emerged.

18) At Brives Charensec, France on 27/10/52 a large cigar and a single disc were seen 125 miles to the north east of the met station there.

19) On 17/10/52 Oloron France, hundreds of people saw above an unusual cloud a huge inclined cylinder at forty-five degrees and moving steadily to the SouthWest, with white smoke emerging from the upper orifice. Going ahead of the cylinder were thirty objects which looked like red spheres with a yellow saturn ring equator; the bases tilted away. When two of these thirty objects moved close a spark joined them for a moment. Angel hair was generated and descended to the ground copiously.

Now these objects have been seen landed, hovering just above the ground, manoeuvring with planes, at extreme altitudes above the ceiling of planes, near the moon and near Phobos, and similar shadows have been photographed on Mars. Can any other UFO type claim such range?

In case people believe that these cigar reports could be recent developments - here are some historical cases to put the record straight:

20) On 9/8/1762 seen from Basle Switzerland, by two astronomers, an enormous spindle shaped object with a glowing outer ring slowly crossed the disc of the sun...

21) On 1/4/1826 Saarbrücken, France, grey torpedo seen rapidly approaching the Earth...

22) In association with the planet Mercury, on 22/5/1853 Mr R P Gregg sees a round object a disc and a cigar.

23) At Colmat, France, on 6/4/1856 a black flying torpedo is seen which is round at one end and pointed at the other, and passes overhead with a melodious whistling sound...

24) On 10/10/1864 M Leverrier witnesses flight of long cigar shaped object tapered at both ends.

Thus the cigar is not new at all, and does occur as a sighting in circumstances in which the object cannot possibly be a disc seen at some slight angle to the normal plane of the main UFO axis.

25) At Montgomery, Alabama on 23/7/48 at 2.45 am, a cigar shaped object with fiery exhaust overtook an airliner and climbed (two rows of portholes)...

26) At Grand Canyon, Arizona on 16/4/54 at 10.20 am witness saw a cigar shaped UFO having a bright light at front with five portholes along side.

27) On 7/10/54 at Isles Sur Suipies, France, very early in the morning an elongated object was seen with a row of pearly portholes...

28) On 6/12/55 at 4.15pm at Ashfield, Mass., a cigar shaped object with brilliant red portholes was seen trailing smoke.

29) In Avon, Mass., USA, at 10pm on 1/7/57 a cigar shaped object with green windows was seen clearly.

30) In Marion, Indiana at 7.30pm on 6/11/57 a cigar with a string of bright lights on the side outran a jet after hovering.

31) At Columbus, Ohio on 2/4/58 for two hours from 9pm a cigar shaped object with portholes was seen.

32) At Wellington, NZ on 18/5/60 a cigar shaped object with portholes was seen.

33) On 24/8/60 at Rumnet, N H, a self-luminous cigar was seen at 9.15pm with blinking lights from orange to yellow progression.

34) On 22/11/61 at Grafton, N D, at 7pm, a cigar shaped object with red light at upper end and white light at other had a row of yellow portholes...

35) In Sarasota, Florida (4/5/60) a cigar shaped UFO with portholes was seen by architect.

36) In Williamstown Vermont on 9/10/50 two cylindrical UFOs were seen swinging back and forth like pendula...

37) According to Alan Watts (UFO Quest, Blandford) on 23/8/54 at 1am, Bernard Miserey came out of his garage having put away his car, and saw a huge silent luminous cigar shape suspended above the river bank about 290 metres away. He then saw a horizontal disc come out of the base and dive towards him by the river, brightening. The disc zoomed overhead very bright and disappeared and was followed by four others which did almost identical movements, before the huge cigar dimmed and 'went out'. the sighting lasting 45 minutes in all.

38) At Hot Springs, Arkansas at 1pm on 14/4/58 a silver cigar hovered for two minutes and split into two pieces which moved around jerkily at high speed...

FEB' 1996 SOLIHULL CONFERENCE - REPORT BY DARREN HUDSON

When my friend and I got there, we really didn't know what to expect being our first conference. So after a pleasant evening in the hotel (And the McDonalds around the corner!) we settled down in our rooms with the high expectations of the weekend to come. First stop in the conference was the Regency room which was selling video's, cassettes, etc. etc. Basically all your UFO memorabilia you could ask for to keep you going for the next few months. Stanton Friedman had his own stall where he was signing his "Crash at Corona" books, so I got mine without hesitation!

When the conference got under way, it was Graham Birdsall first up who gave his UFO knowledge a new lease of life as he went through various slides and film (Very good film at that). He also mentioned the Roswell incident which, although he was sworn to secrecy as to why, said that the Ray Santilli footage would be proven to be fake on March 1st. Unfortunately I haven't heard anything up to now (5th March). Stanton was next and to be honest it must be the way he delivers his speech because he really didn't talk about anything that he hasn't talked about before. He had to give almost exactly the same speech on Sunday as well which disappointed a lot of people. I expect it would have helped if he hadn't left a load of stuff at home! After lunch came Anthony Dodd who I must admit to being very impressed by. He gave us in in-depth report on an alleged "UFO run/underwater base" running from Antarctica to the south coast of England. The US have unmarked ships in the area and apparently one of the US military's new "sea shadow" craft had gone missing. Its a long story but one well worth looking into. On the Sunday he talked about abductions which was uncanny in a way as we were talking to a sincere man in the audience whos name I don't know who had himself been abducted. That's another story in itself!

Robert Dean was the last man on, on both days, and to be honest, I don't think I've seen anyone whose heart is in the UFO subject as his. He told us all what he knows which a lot of people probably already know (Cosmic top secret documents which he has seen, etc.) but you have to see this man telling it and tell me he's lying! For me Anthony Dodd and Robert Dean were the best lecturers of the weekend but it wouldn't have been right without all 4 of them. My friend and I came away with memorabilia and new knowledge pleased with ourselves that we'd made the 150 mile journey up the M5.

DARREN HUDSON. TAUNTON

ASTRONOMICAL NOTES 1996

by Data Research

Notes on the positions for the prominent stars and planets are provided for the benefit of investigations. These can cause a number of mis-identifications and be reported as UFOs. The notes here are for observers in the British Isles and Western Europe.

PLANETS

Venus will be quite spectacular as an evening object during the first half of 1996, being at its brightest in late spring, and should be unmistakable. In the latter half of the year it becomes a morning object; **Mars** will only become visible as a morning object in the last half of 1996, and the famous red colouration will make it easily identifiable; **Jupiter** will be conspicuous as a morning object in the first part of the year, and becomes an evening object in the latter half of the year, being most prominent in the early autumn. A quick check with binoculars will confirm it's size, and the planet's four moon's as identification; **Saturn** is low in the sky at the start of the year, becomes a morning object, before becoming an evening object in the latter part of the year, and its yellowish hue is obvious. A view through binoculars may not reveal evidence of the ring system, as the Earth only passed through the plane of the rings last year, and a telescope may be needed; Of the other planets, only **Mercury** will be at low elevation on a regular basis, but even dedicated observers sometimes have difficulty in seeing it, so casual observer's shouldn't report it too often.

MONTHLY NOTES

(The general positions for prominent stars are based on midnight at mid-month. Brightness of an object is measured in mag. - magnitude)

January

Planets: Venus is very prominent in the south-western evening sky, visible 3 hours after sunset by the month's end, mag. -4.0; Jupiter is emerging from the morning twilight by the month's end, mag. -1.8. **Stars:** In the late evening, Sirius is also very prominent in the southern sky; Arcturus and Vega will be low to the northern horizon. **Moon:** full - 5th; new - 20th. **Meteors:** Quarantids, 1st - 4th, but moonlight interferes

February

Planets: Venus increases in brightness to mag. -4.1, and at the start of the month passes close to Saturn, which itself is at mag. +1.2; Jupiter becomes more obvious in the south-eastern sky before dawn at mag. -1.9. **Stars:** Of the late evening stars Sirius is still obvious; Vega is still low to the northern horizon; while Arcturus and Spica will be rising more in the Northeast. **Moon:** full - 4th; new - 18th.

March

Planets: Venus becomes even brighter at mag. -4.8 in the western evening sky; Jupiter increases to mag. -2.1, and is visible for several hours before dawn. **Stars:** Late evening stars to be noticeable are Vega and Arcturus, rising in the eastern sky; Aldebaran and Betelgeuse will be low to the western horizon. **Moon:** full - 5th; new - 19th. **Equinox** - 20th.

April

Planets: Venus is still a brilliant object, though diminishing to mag. -4.4, but will be seen for several hours, not setting till after 2300. A word of note to observers in Northern Scotland, as Venus will be skimming the north-western horizon after midnight; Jupiter will brighten to mag. -2.3, and will be seen low to the horizon in the British Isles from the very early hours of the morning. **Stars:** The bright red Antares will be low in the south-eastern sky; Altair will be low in the north-east; Capella and Procyon are low in the north-west. **Moon:** full - 4th; new - 17th. Total eclipse early hours of 4th. **Meteors:** Lyrids, 20th - 22nd.

May

Planets: Venus is still brilliant at mag. -4.5, but it will be noticeably moving back towards the Sun; Jupiter will be at mag. -2.1, and will still be very conspicuous. **Stars:** Antares and Spica are conspicuous in the

south; Capella will be very bright low to the north; Regulus will now be low to the north-western horizon. **Moon:** full - 3rd; new - 17th. **Meteors:** Aquarids, 1st - 8th, moonlight interferes.

June

Planets: Venus is now dimming to mag. -4.0, and is rapidly moving towards the Sun, and will be low in the western sky after sunset. By the end of the month Venus becomes a bright morning object, low in the east before dawn; Jupiter is now conspicuous at mag. -2.7 in the night sky; Saturn is in the south-east before dawn, at a mag. of +0.9. **Stars:** Capella is by now very low to the north; Antares still dominates low to the south; Spica is low to the south-west. **Moon:** full - 1st; new - 16th. **Solstice:** 21st. **Meteors:** Ophiucids, 17th - 26th.

July

Planets: Venus is at mag. -4.5, and is rapidly moving out from the Sun, rising 2 hours before dawn by the end of the month; Jupiter will be at mag. -2.7, it's brightest since July 1995, but is only 16° above the horizon; Saturn moves from being a morning to evening object, and will become visible in the British Isles low in the eastern sky before midnight, being at mag. +0.8. **Stars:** Capella is still low to the north; Arcturus is now prominent in the south-western sky; Antares will be very low to the west. **Moon:** full - 1st, 30th; new - 15th. **Meteors:** Capricornids, 15th - Aug 25th; Perseids, 27th - Aug 17th.

August

Planets: Venus, now at mag. -4.3, will reach its maximum western elongation on the 20th, though at the end of the month it will be only a few degrees from Mars, which is still moving westwards; Jupiter is still obvious in the south; Saturn is also in the south, but isn't as bright at only mag. +0.7. **Stars:** Arcturus will be very low in the north-west; Aldebaran will be rising in the north-east. **Moon:** full - 28th; new - 14th. **Meteors:** Capricornids, till 25th; Perseids till 17th.

September

Planets: Venus is still brilliant at mag. -4.2 in the eastern sky before dawn; Mars will be only 3° north of Venus on the 3rd, but continues further west and is 10° away by the end of the month; Jupiter continues to be conspicuous in the south west, but will be setting before midnight; Saturn will be visible all through the night. **Stars:** Formalhaut is low to the south; Procyon will be rising in the north-east after midnight towards the end of the month. **Moon:** full - 27th; new - 12th; Total eclipse 27th. **Equinox:** 22nd.

October

Planets: Venus continues to be obvious in the eastern sky before dawn; Mars will be close to Regulus in Leo by the end of the month; Jupiter is dimming to mag. -2.2, and will be low to the south-west, and will be setting noticeably earlier by the end of the month; Saturn continues to be obvious in the southern sky for most of the night. **Stars:** Altair is now setting to the south-west; Vega will be low in the west; Procyon will be rising in the east. **Moon:** full - 26th; new - 12th. **Meteors:** Orionids, 15th - 25th; Taurids, 26th - Nov 16th. Partial eclipse of the Sun in the early afternoon of the 12th.

November

Planets: Venus is still brilliant in the east, still at mag. -4.0; Jupiter is visible in the south-west for the early evening; Saturn is still obvious for most of the night in the south. **Stars:** Vega is now low to the north; Regulus very low in the north-east; Sirius now returns in the east, and is quite distinct. **Moon:** full - 25th; new - 11th. **Meteors:** Taurids, till 16th; Leonids, 15th - 19th.

December

Planets: Venus is still brilliant, but is now moving back towards the Sun; Jupiter will be at mag. -1.9, and will only be visible for a short while above the south-western horizon each evening; Saturn is also getting low in the south-west, and will be set before midnight. **Stars:** Vega will be skimming the northern horizon; Regulus continues to rise in the east; Sirius is now quite unmistakable in the southern sky. **Moon:** full - 24th, new - 10th. **Solstice:** - 21st. **Meteors:** Geminids, 9th - 14th; Ursids, 17th - 24th.

METEORS

Although the monthly notes above list the major known meteor showers, the past two or three years have shown an increase in unpredictable, or 'sporadic', meteors - late July of 1995 being a good example, when at least one daylight meteor, brighter than the Sun, was observed. These sporadic meteors are caused by the unknown debris outside the orbits of the known nine planets, perhaps even from the Sun's Oort cloud. There is increasing evidence that these sporadics may even be truly interstellar debris. I suggest anyone interested should read the article by Duncan Steel, in the 1996 edition of The Yearbook of Astronomy, edited by Patrick Moore.

Sources: 1996 Yearbook of Astronomy - Patrick Moore, by Macmillan; Planisphere, by Philip's.

WE ARE DEFINITELY NOT ALONE A Video, by T. Roy Dutton, C.Eng.

Reviewed by Brian P James

I first saw Roy Dutton, and his impressive theories at a conference in Andover in May 1995, where he expertly put across his ideas on both UFO events, and crop circles. Roy Dutton worked for many years within the British aerospace industry, including special projects, rocketry and weaponry, so he has much experience of the science of spaceflight. In 1967 Roy became interested in UFO sightings around his home, and set upon a course of scientific research.

This video illustrates the results of Roy's research. To Roy Dutton there was little doubt that a significant number of UFO events were clearly of intelligent origin, working to a plan of something like a reconnaissance operation of various man-made sites, ranging from iron-age antiquities to modern day transport systems. Having taken many hundreds of sightings from round the world as his data, it became clear to Roy that there was a definite pattern to UFO events world-wide, and not just the normal 'flaps' we might think of, but regular patterns over many years, including the duration of CE3K and CE4K events. These patterns are so consistent that Roy is able to produce predictive data for any part of the world.

In the video Roy puts forward his theories for the origin and pattern for UFO events, quite clearly demonstrating that there is not just an extra-terrestrial explanation, but that craft are coming here from outside our solar system. The quality of some of the computer graphics in the video is not that high, but the theories, and the data are very persuasive.

The central data research team of Contact International are using Roy Dutton's predictive data for its skywatches during 1996. There is a possibility that the anomalous images being taken on photographic film, as detailed in recent issues of Awareness, could be the result of scanning beams from non-visible craft.

The video is available, from the co-producer Roy Rowlands, at a special price to research groups, of £13.50 inclusive of p&p, and can be ordered through Contact International's mailing address. Please make cheques payable to 'Roy Rowlands'.

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